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Aut inveniam viam, aut faciam.

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CURRENT TOPICS.

Jumbo's widow, Alice, is coming to this country.

There are 407 newspapers published in London.

CALIFORNIA'S rainy season is the wettest since 1849.

SHOES with pointed toes and low heels are in style.

The Kansas Legislature has convened in extra session.

A tame cougar follows at the heel of an Oregon cowboy.

The Governor of Texas issues his message in four languages.

The American colony in Paris numbers about 3,000 people.

The census of 1880 places the number of Mormons at 110,377.

A STEEL steamer for Siam is being built at Wilmington, Del.

MISS CLEVELAND always speaks of her brother as "the President."

There are 123 American students at the University of Berlin this year.

FIRMS in New York and Philadelphia hire out clean cuffs and collars.

There is centering about New York Bay a population of 2,500,000 people.

A LOS ANGELES (Cal.) woman employs her whole time in the care of forty cats.

T. BARNUM is said to be growing stoop-shouldered with the weight of his years.

SODA is to be manufactured from the water of Soda Lake, Churchill County, Nev.

BRAIDLAW KISSED the Bible and took his seat in the House of Commons, the other day.

OVER 600 people were reported as missing to the Philadelphia police during the year 1885.

The Pullman Palace Car Company is said to have absorbed the Mann Company entirely.

A PHILADELPHIA baker has buried six children and married a third wife within a year.

DETROIT will try a new experiment—a coach with three wheels, in place of the heretic.

THOUSANDS of cattle are reported frozen to death in Indian Territory by the late blizzard.

WINTER wheat in the wheat raising States is reported as being in splendid condition.

THE Newark, N. J., dog-bitten children have gone into the museum business at New York.

M. DE LEESEES has set the date for his sailing through the Isthmus canal, December 31, 1888.

THE Australian harvest is over. Ninety thousand tons of wheat will be available for export.

STRAWBERRIES are selling in New York at four dollars a box. They were raised in hot-houses.

A PHILADELPHIA sausage factory takes the cake in the shape of a sausage sixty-four feet long.

PHYSICIANS trace a good deal of pneumonia to low-cut dresses worn at the opera and elsewhere.

SAN JACINTO, CAL., has fifty flowing arbo-sian wells. The first well was put down only a year ago.

A CALL has been issued for an Irish National League convention to be held at Chicago next May.

ONE of the new members of the Nebraska Legislature is named Yardwide. We suppose he is all wool, too.

A BILL will be introduced in the English Parliament permitting women to vote in Parliamentary elections.

THE "meanest man" lives in New York. A few days ago he took off his wife's cork leg and pawned it for whisky.

A MAN over sixty years of age lives near Butteville, Ore., who is the father of thirty-two children by three wives.

THE official records of San Bernardino County, Cal., do not show a single birth in the county during 1885.

IT is among the possibilities that an Irish Parliament may convene on College Green in Dublin before the end of the year.

A WINDOW and a widower were recently married at Niles, Mich., who again start in married life with twenty-five children.

PROF. LANDMARK, Chief Director of the Norwegian fisheries, asserts that salmon sometimes jump perpendicularly sixteen feet.

THE building of the ice palace at St. Paul, postponed on account of the cold weather, has been resumed, and will soon be completed.

SOUTH OF THE UNITED STATES. The Empire of Brazil is twenty-four times the size of England.

THE agricultural classes of Germany are petitioning the Reichstag against a single standard of currency, and are strongly in favor of silver.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT MILLER, at Nanticoke, Pa., locked tardy boys out during the recent cold spell. The legs of one boy may have to be amputated.

THE population of London for this year is given as 5,190,166, of whom 60,000 are foreigners, 49,554 Scotch; 80,775 Irish; 3,514 black, and 1,072 deaf and dumb.

AN improved band saw is coming into use in the Northern pines which is said to be a great saving of lumber, by cutting a thinner kerf than the circular saw.

THE Mayor of Washington, Washington County, Kas., issued a proclamation recently closing the skating rinks inside the corporate limits on the ground of immoral tendency.

IT is estimated that there are 80,000 traveling salesmen on the road in this country, and that their expense accounts alone will average \$1,500 a year, a total of \$120,000,000 per annum.

PARIS is convulsed over the number and atrocity of murders committed in that city lately. The newspapers recorded eleven murders and five attempts to murder within six days.

EMPTY GRAVES.

Decatur, Georgia, in a Furious Fever of Excitement.

Body-Snatchers' Work—Several Coffins Exhumed, but the Silent Occupants Were Gone.

DECATUR, GA., January 22.—This community is greatly excited over the repeated desecration of its grave-yard by body-snatchers and the discovery of the complicity of the sexton in the crime. Decatur has a handsome cemetery, located in the edge of the town. The enclosure is large, and many of the lots are well cared for. There the bodies of the dead have been laid to rest for three or four score years. A part of the cemetery is set aside "God's acre," and there the paupers are laid away. Up to the week ago no one dreamed that the bodies in the cemetery had been disturbed, but last week Joe Smith, the sexton of the cemetery, directed suspicion on himself, and was watched that night. With George Vaughn, the negro janitor of the Atlanta Medical College, he was detected in the act of robbing the grave of a deceased woman. Vaughn was buried, while Smith was lodged in jail. The body was never recovered. Smith is still in jail. About two weeks ago Simon Read, a colored man aged seventy-five years, died. He was buried in "God's Acre." When it was found that the body of Sandford was missing a great many people began to wonder. Simon Read's had been buried in a common way. Funds were raised to hire a lawyer and pressure was brought on the Mayor and Council for an investigation. Yesterday Mayor Kirkpatrick, Councilman Austin, Marshal Chivers and several other gentlemen went to the graves, accompanied by a force of negroes to open them and see if there was anything missing. The first grave examined was that of Simon Read. The negro who was digging the grave and the sexton were seen at the coffin. It was empty, save a pair of breeches and one or two minor pieces of wearing apparel. The body of the old man had been taken away, and was then, no doubt, being well cured in some dean's vats. The negro who was shoveling dirt over the grave was much excited and did not seem to be used to greater exertion. As soon as it was clearly seen that Read's body was gone, they were put to work on two other graves that were very near together. Both graves were reached. It was found that one body was gone. The men were then put to work on the grave of a white lady whose death occurred a week ago. They were soon at the coffin. It was reached. Mayor Kirkpatrick said: "It is no use to go further in this grave. I saw this lady buried and I know these planks have not been disturbed." The coffin was therefore not disturbed. There were no other suspected graves that the Mayor had authorized to be opened and the work was about over. There were other graves in that cemetery that are thought to be empty. But so far there have been no other investigations, as the relatives of the dead people object to the graves being opened. It is not improbable, however, that there will be still more graves opened. The general impression is that there has been a good deal of grave-robbing in the vicinity of Atlanta. Of late several robbers have been detected, and it is believed that about these parts many a mound rises above an empty coffin.

A Rumpus in the Ohio Senate.

COLUMBUS, O., January 22.—In the Senate to-day President Kennedy held a point regarding a resolution to take up the Hamilton County contest cases and consider them in open session. An appeal was taken from the decision and sustained.

The Chairman then rose to a question of privilege, and pointedly defined his authority and duties as presiding officer, which he said, would be observed according to law and precedent, regarding rules adopted by the majority to abridge his constitutional rights. On the question of the adoption of a minority report by the Committee on Privileges and Elections on the Hamilton County contests, the Chair held that the four Hamilton County members could not vote, they being interested parties. Then there was a row. The Democrats refused to vote, and the question was referred to the Chair, who had authorized the report adopted by the minority. Republican votes as that would be a majority under the ruling. In the midst of great excitement, a recess until to-morrow morning was declared. President pro tem O'Neill took the chair, and the Democrats, organizing another Senate, reversed a part of the proceedings. The Democrats adjourned to 4 p. m. Monday. The conflict of authority may possibly lead to serious trouble.

Seacoast Fortifications Recommended.

WASHINGTON, January 22.—The Secretary of War to-day submitted the report of the Fortifications Board. It is a long document, and describes fully the necessity and advantages of better coast defenses.

It is estimated that it will require \$10,000,000 to be spent on such a system of defenses. A recommendation is made that an appropriation of \$20,000,000 be made at the present session of Congress to secure the necessary plant for beginning the construction of such heavy ordnance as will be required. The board also suggests the establishment of two Government foundries, and recommends the construction of torpedo boats for harbor protection.

Chinese Danites.

ST. LOUIS, January 22.—In the Chinese murder trial yesterday it was found that the defendant belonged to a secret society which had its "Danites" to punish with death and members to betray the society.

These assassins were called "The Order of the Golden Hatchet." A Chinese witness yesterday refused to give any information about the Society, alleging that he would be assassinated inside of a month. Several members of the Order are in every city, whose duty it is to obey the orders of the Society.

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His Mother's Dream Comes Sadly True.

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Fifty-eight Cavalry Horses Burned.

FR. CUSTER, MONT., January 22.—The cavalry stable with fifty-eight horses were burned at the post here to-day.

A POOR-HOUSE BURNED.

And Five of the Unfortunate Inmates Perish in the Flames.

JACKSON, MICH., January 24.—The County Poor-house was almost entirely destroyed by fire at 1 o'clock this morning. There were forty inmates, and all escaped but five, who perished in the flames. The remains of the victims were brought to the city to-day. The dead are as follows: Dolly Martin, aged 60, insane, an inmate for twelve years; Kate Avery, aged 70, insane, an inmate for ten years; Anna Boynton, aged 92, deaf; Charles Elliot, aged 73, blind. The building is situated in a lonely spot about four miles from the city. It was recently built at a cost of \$12,000. The fire, the origin of which is unknown, broke out in the inmates' kitchen, and the whole interior was destroyed. The morning her Captain came ashore and reported that the cargo under No. 3 hatch of the hold had been burning nine days. The police boat, patrol and the fire-boat W. F. Havemeyer reached the side of the vessel shortly after 5 o'clock, and when hatch No. 3 was removed a cloud of smoke and flame shot up, and soon eight streams of water were pouring into the vessel's hold. For half an hour the pumping was kept up without material effect, when four men were sent down to investigate. The smoke was sent down with the water, and the men disappeared. A speech on silver by Mr. Symes, of Colorado, was injected in committee of the whole, when the regular bill was a bill to purchase the 12-mile of country churches, which was reported favorably last Friday. This was finally passed, and at 4:30 p. m. adjourned.

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Heavy fall of snow Saturday.

The book agent is abroad in the land.

Small attendance at the churches Sunday.

County Attorney Castle has gone to Washington.

Rev. Wm. Jarrell preached in the Masonic Hall Sunday night.

Col. Jay H. Northup has gone to New York on a business trip.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Landon Carter is better this week.

Capt. Allen has gone to Charles-ton to get acquainted with his family.

Danger! A neglected cold or cough may lead to Pneumonia. Consumption or other fatal disease. Strong's Pectoral Pills will cure as by magic. Best thing for dyspepsia, indi-gestion, sick headache as thousands testify.

Eugene Wallace and F. T. D. Wallace, Jr., have returned from a visit to Senator Wallace.

Rev. Mr. Suddith, of Richmond, Va., preached an excellent sermon in the Masonic Hall last Friday night.

The street Arabs are doing a thriving business finding bottles of various sizes, shapes, colors and nationalities.

The various roads round about Louisa are like the heart of man as described by the prophet—deceitful above all things and desperately wicked.

The little gem contributed by Mrs. Jessie Pierson will be read and appreciated by all lovers of genuine poetry. It is full of dainty grace and beauty.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla wonderfully improves the complexion, and brings to old and young the bloom of health. As a purifier of the blood it has no equal.

Bud Loar has returned from a lengthy visit to Floyd. They do say that the bright particular star of the young gentleman's hopes shines in the county of Floyd.

Rev. W. T. Jolly, of Ashland, will arrive in Louisa Saturday and preach that night, Sunday and Sunday night. The admirers of the gentleman—and they are many—regret that the room in which he must preach is not more convenient and centrally located.

Stop that cough, by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral—the best specific ever known for all diseases of the throat and lungs. It will soothe the rough feeling in your throat, give the vocal organs flexibility and vitality, and enable you to breathe and speak clearly.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by R. F. Vinson,

PEACH ORCHARD PUNCH OUTS.

Mr. R. Spoddon our former Mine Superintendent left for Scotland this week to take possession of quite a snug fortune left him by the death of his mother. Every one greatly regrets his departure and hope he may return to us.

Capt. Dawson and daughter of Pennsylvania are stopping at the Palace Hotel. Mr. Dawson assumes control of the old Mine vice Sneden resigned. He has our sincere wishes for his success.

L. M. Preston's store, containing the Odd Fellows Hall, burned to the ground last Monday noon. Loss nearly covered by insurance. The stoppage of navigation in the Ohio has put many of us on short rations, owing to shutting down the mines. We are in better spirits now however, as the mines have opened up again.

Johnson and Crutcher were in your city last Sunday. They say they don't like snow.

Our genial Ry. Agt. Col. B. F. Dixon spent last Sunday in the neighborhood of old P. O. Ben, did you tree a cat?

Your old townsmen Bill Dave Ratcliff, has the best fox hounds in the county. He went out last week and caught a cold. M. & M.

[For the News.]

Progression.

Only one kiss, but one he gave. The pearl white hand, the slender wrist, beneath the misty, amber lace, Ah! who such tempters could resist? Yet, on that palm's soft grace, Only one kiss, but one he gave.

Only one kiss, but one he gave. The proud sweet face he could not read. The bright hair, blown from off the brow— His kiss fell light, oh dare he plead For pardon from his lady now?

Only one kiss, but one he gave. Only one kiss, so swift, so sweet. Who too that kiss upon her lips Would not have dared long years of pain? She turns, with dainty finger tips She throws his kisses back again, Then flies with swift, shy feet.

A thousand kisses, sweet oh sweet! Ah! little lady, you are caught Within those arms, grown strangely bold. You threw his kisses back, but not those sweater ones, no longer cold.

A thousand kisses, sweet oh sweet!

JESSIE PIERSON.

A VERY REMARKABLE RECOVERY. Mr. Geo. V. Willing, of Manchester, Mich., writes: "My wife has been almost helpless for five years, so helpless that she could not turn over in bed alone. She used two bottles of Electric Bitters, and she is so much improved, and she is able now to do her own work."

Electric Bitters will do all that is claimed for them. Hundreds of testimonials attest their great curative powers. Only fifty cents a bottle at R. F. Vinson's Drug Store.

We are pleased to notice in the Frankfort papers that our Senator Wallace is always in his place and looking to the interest of his constituents.

EXCITEMENT IN TEXAS. Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, by the remarkable recovery of Mr. J. E. Corley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed, or raise his head; everybody said he was dying of consumption. A trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery was sent him. Finding relief, he bought a large bottle and a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills; by the time he had taken two boxes of Pills and two bottles of the Discovery, he was well and had gained in flesh thirty-six pounds.

Trial Bottles of this Great Discovery for Consumption free at R. F. Vinson's Drug Store.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to Lewis Atkins are hereby notified not to pay him, but come forward and settle all claims with the assignee, or they will be proceeded against according to law.

E. WALLACE,
Assignee.

A difficulty occurred Monday between Jno. B. Bromley and Geo. N. Brown Jr., in which the former received some painful and ugly wounds inflicted with a knife, while the latter was considerably bruised from blows inflicted with a billiard cue and a beer bottle.—K. Dem.

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The big ad. of Hugh Russell, the boss saddler and harness maker, will attract attention from those who have use for such articles as he offers for sale. Mr. Russell was in Louisa last fall, and while here effected the sale of quite a number of fine buckboards, which have general satisfaction. If you want a fine outfit in the riding or driving line just write to Russell at Ironton or Ashland, or if you chance to be in either of those towns call and see him.

A CARD TO LADIES.

A lady who suffered for years, and who was treated by the most noted physicians in America without relief, was given a simple remedy by a Russian nurse which permanently restored her to health. To aid her she now offers to send free the recipe, with full instructions for making the medicine yourself at home, without expense. If you are suffering with any form of female disease, do not throw away time or money on doctors' patent medicines, but inclose me a stamped envelope (addressed to yourself), and receive a free cure.

Address, MRS. CLARA B. WRIGHT, 78 E. Eagle Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

PIKEVILLE.

Ed. C. Kirker, representing T. J. Dunn & Co., was in town last week.

Miss Mollie Baumgarten, of Ironton, Ohio, is visiting at T. F. Ratcliff's.

The ice did very little damage, so far as we have learned.

School suspended a few days during the cold weather.

We have heard W. M. Connolly and P. A. Cline spoken of as candidates for County Attorney.

Rev. Cannon preached several interesting sermons at this place during the cold weather.

No mail during the extreme cold weather.

Eldron Kendrick and George Stinson have returned to their homes in Virginia, after attending school at this place for the last few months.

We understand that Hon. R. H. Weddington, of Prestonsburg, is an independent democratic candidate for Circuit Judge of this district.

W. M. Connolly, Chairman of the Democratic committee of this county, has issued a call for a Democratic county convention to meet in Pikeville Feb. 8th to select delegates to attend the District Convention at Paintsville, to nominate Democratic candidates for Circuit Judge and Commonwealth's Attorney.

JOHN.

THIS PAPER may be found in the following cities: Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, D. C., and other cities. Advertising Bureau (10 Spruce St.), where advertising contracts may be made for it in NEW YORK.

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results from that true contentment which indicates perfect health of body and mind. You may possess it, if you will purify and invigorate your blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. E. M. Howard, Newport, N. H., writes: "I suffered for years with Scrofulous humors. After using two bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, I

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great relief. It has entirely restored me to health." James French, Atchison, Kans., writes: "To all persons suffering from Liver Complaint, I would strongly recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I was afflicted with a disease of the liver for nearly two years, when a friend advised me to take this medicine. It gave prompt relief, and has cured me." Mrs. H. M. Kidder, 41 Dwight St., Boston, Mass., writes: "For several years I have used Ayer's Sarsaparilla in my family. I never feel safe, even

At Home

without it. As a liver medicine and general purifier of the blood, it has no equal." Mrs. A. B. Allen, Winterpock, Va., writes: "My youngest child, two years of age, was taken with Bowel Complaint, which we could not cure. We tried many remedies, but he continued to grow worse, and finally became so reduced in flesh that we could only move him upon a pillow. It was suggested by one of the doctors that Scrofula might be the cause of the trouble. We procured a bottle of

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and commenced giving it to him. It surely worked wonders, for, in a short time, he was completely cured."

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By virtue of two executions, No. 300 and 301, directed to me, which is issued from the Clerk's office of the Lawrence Circuit Court, in favor of Shirley, Crane & Co. against W. H. Bartrem and Peter & Bartrem, for the sum of \$30,67 cent. I or one of my deputies, will, on Monday the 8th day of February, 1886, &c., being the first day of Circuit Court between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the Court House door in Louisa, Lawrence County, Ky., expose to the public sale, to the highest bidder, the following property (or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy plaintiff's debt, interests and costs) viz.: one hundred acres of land in Lawrence County, Ky., on Rock Castle Creek just above the falls of Tug, beginning at the Patriot Gap School house and running across the upper end of the farm so as to include one hundred acres, levied upon as the property of W. H. Bartrem.

Terms: Sale will be made on a credit of three months, bond with approved security required of the purchaser, with interest at the rate of — per cent. per annum, and having the force and effect of a replevin bond.

Witness my hand this 25th day of January, 1886.

J. B. SPENCER, S. L. C.

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Burn any kind of fuel!

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They keep the fire in a round place by Perfect Ventilation.

SAVE IN FUEL

MORE THAN THEY COST

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A TERRIBLE CONFESSON.

A Physician Presents Some Startling Facts.

The following story—which is attracting wide attention from the press—is so remarkable that we can not excuse ourselves if we do not lay it before our readers entire:

To the Editor of the Rochester (N. Y.) Democrat.

Sir.—On the first day of June, 1881, I lay at my residence in this city surrounded by my friends and waiting for death. Heaven only knows the agonies I suffered for words cannot describe it. And yet, it is a few years previous any one had told me that I was to be brought so low, and by so terrible a disease, I should have scoffed at the idea. I had always been uncommonly strong and healthy, and weighed over 200 pounds, and hardly knew, in my own experience, what pain or sickness were. Very many people who will read this statement realize at once that they are unusually tired and cannot account for it. They feel dull pains in various parts of the body and do not understand why. Or they are exceedingly hungry one day and entirely without appetite the next. This was just the way I felt when the relentless malady which had fastened itself upon me first began. Still I thought nothing of it, as it probably had taken a cold which would pass away. Since then I noticed a heavy and at times neuralgic pain in one side of my head, but as it would come one day and be gone the next, I paid little attention to it. Then my stomach would get out of order and my food often failed to digest, causing at times great inconvenience. Yet, even as a physician, I did not think that these things meant anything serious. I was suffering from malaria and doctored myself accordingly. But I got no better. I next noticed a peculiar color and odor about the fluids I was passing—also that there were large quantities one day and very little the next, and that a persistent froth and scum appeared upon the surface, and a sediment settled. And I did not realize my danger until, in fact, passing the time continually, I finally became accustomed to them, and my suspicion was wholly disarmed by the fact that *I had no pain* in the affected organs or in their vicinity. Why I should have been so blind I can not understand!

I consulted the best medical skill in the land, I visited all the famed mineral springs in America and traveled west to California. Still I grew worse. No two physicians agreed as to my malady. One said I was troubled with spinal irritation; another, dyspepsia; another, heart disease; another, congestion of the brain; and so on through a long list of common diseases the symptoms of many of which I really had. In this way several years passed, during which time I was steadily growing worse. My condition had really become pitiable. The slight symptoms I at first experienced were developed into terrible and constant disorders. My weight had been reduced from 207 to 150 pounds. My life was a burden to myself and friends. I could retain no food on my stomach, and lived wholly by injections. I was a living mass of pain. My pulse was uncontrollable. In my agony I frequently fell to the floor, and died the death of death! Morphine had little or no effect in deadening the pain. For six days and nights I had the death-premonitory hiccoughs constantly! My water was filled with tube-casts and albumen. I was struggling with Bright's Disease of the kidneys in its last stages!

While suffering thus I received a call from my pastor, the Rev. Dr. Foote, at that time rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of this city. I felt that I was lost in time, but in the course of conversation Dr. Foote detailed to me the many remarkable cures of cases like my own which had come under his observation. As a practicing physician and a graduate of the schools, I derided the idea of any medicine outside the regular channels being in the least beneficial. So solicitous, however, was Dr. Foote that finding I had no time to lose, he said, "I began its use on the first day of June, 1881, and took it according to directions. At first it sickened me; but this I thought was a good sign for one in my debilitated condition. I continued to take it; the sickening sensation departed and I was finally able to retain food upon my stomach. In a few days I noticed a decided change for the better, as also did my wife and my physician. I recovered rapidly and experienced less pain than formerly. I was so rejoiced at this improved condition that, upon my dying bed, I vowed in the presence of my family and friends, should I recover, I would both publicly and privately make known this remedy for the good of humanity, wherever and whenever I had an opportunity, and this letter is in fulfillment of that vow. I am now completely recovered from that time, and in less than three months I had gained 50 pounds in flesh, became entirely free from pain and I believe I owe my life and present condition wholly to Warner's safe cure, the remedy which I used.

Since my recovery I have thoroughly investigated the subject of kidney difficulties and Bright's disease, and the results developed are astounding. I can state, definitely, that there is no physician, that I believe more than one-half the deaths which occur in America are caused by Bright's disease of the kidneys. This may sound like a rash statement, but I am prepared to verify it fully. Bright's disease has no distinctive features of its own, (indeed, it often develops without any pain whatever in the kidneys or their vicinity), but in the symptoms of nearly every other common complaint—hundreds of people die daily, whose burials are authorized by a physician's certificate as occurring from "Heart Disease," "Appoplexy," "Paralysis," "Spinal Complaint," "Rheumatism," "Pneumonia" and the other common complaints, when in reality it is from Bright's disease of the kidneys. Few physicians, and fewer people, realize the extreme danger of this disease and its ramifications. It stands into the system like a thief, manifests itself at once, shows none whatever, but brings death surely, from convulsions, apoplexy or heart disease.

As one who has suffered, and knows by bitter experience what he says, I implore every one who reads these words not to neglect the slightest symptom of kidney difficulty. No one can afford to hazard such a chance.

I make the foregoing statements based upon facts which I can substantiate to the letter. The welfare of those who may possibly be sufferers such as I was is an ample inducement for me to take the step I have, and if I can successfully warn others from the dangerous path in which I once walked, I am willing to endure all the professional and personal consequences.

J. B. HENION, M. D.

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—The gavel presented to General Sheridan, to be used as President of the Army of the Cumberland, is made of wood from a tree still standing, which marks the spot where General Lytle fell mortally wounded. A musket-ball still remains embedded in the wood of the gavel. General Lytle was the author of the poem "Antony and Cleopatra."

—Chicago Tribune.

WINTER EVENINGS.

How to Spend Them to the Best Advantage.

This is the season of short days and long evenings, the best time of all the year for study and improvement. Perhaps you are a young man desirous of obtaining commercial employment. One of the best passports in that direction, next to good character, is good handwriting. Of course you know how to write, but like the great majority, probably, you have never trained yourself to write well. No merchant wants his books disfigured by awkward and illegible scrawlings. No lawyer will submit to badly written copies. We suggest you devote yourself this winter to persevering endeavors to improve your penmanship. You will be surprised at the improvement which real efforts in this line will achieve. May you would like to learn stenography and type-writing. The faithful employment of your winter evenings in this work may make you a first-class graduate before the long days come again, and enable you to earn a handsome support. Do you wish to become expert as a mechanical draughtsman? There are excellent instruction books—sold very cheaply. The industrious occupation of your evening hours as a learner will surely be fruitful of results. We know of excellent draughtsmen, now enjoying good salaries, who taught themselves to draw in evening hours, while companions idled away their time smoking, cards or gossip. Are you of an inventive turn of mind? The best of all times to study up and think out plans for new contrivances is in the quiet of evening. The results of thought in the production of new inventions are astonishing. In general improvements in simple articles of everyday use and wear, which are the patent for the inventor, have so generally employed. This has brought great wealth to the fortunate inventor. He is now a millionaire. His device was truly a happy thought. We know of a lady in Chicago whose patients for the invention of a moving belt for drying eggs, albumen, etc., have revolutionized certain great branches of trade, and now bring her a great income. The people want improvements in every conceivable form. Not only is the field of invention vast, but it is open to everybody. There are no distinctions in respect to sex or age. The way to invent is to "keep thinking," the way to accomplish anything is to "keep working."

—*Scientific American.*

THE AMERICAN GIRL.

Her Little Peculiarities and Characteristics Witfully Described.

Stylish on the backbone. Independent as independent can be, but very pure. Is devoted to pleasure, dress, spending money, shows her moral nature just as it is, so as to deceive nobody. Flirt all winter with this or that one, and dismiss him in the spring, when she instantly catches another. Goes out alone. Travels alone. When the fancy strikes her she travels with a gentleman friend, or walks anywhere with him; puts boundsless confidence in him; conjugal intimacy seems to exist between them. She lets him tell what he feels—talk of love from morning to night; but she never gives him permission to kiss so much as her hand. He may say anything—he shall do nothing. She is restless; she gives heart and soul to amusement before she marries. After marriage she is a mother annually; is alone all day, hears all night nothing except discussions about patent machinery, unexplosive petroleum and chemical manure. She then will let her daughters enjoy the liberty she used without grave abuse. As nothing serious happened to her, why should Fanny, Mary, Jessie, be less strong and adroit than their mother? She originates French fashions. Parisian women detest her. Provincial women despise her. Men of all countries adore her, but will not marry her, unless she has an immense fortune. Her hair is vermillion, pale than golden hair; her black eyes are bold and frank; she has a patient shape which 'tis forbidden to counterfeit; spreads herself in a carriage as if she were in a hammock—the natural and thoughtless posture of her passion for luxurious ease. When she walks she moves briskly, and throws every glance right and left; gives many of her thoughts to herself, and few of them to anybody else. She is a wild plant put in a hot-house.—*Figaro.*

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